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## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently Amended) A mixer comprising:
- a casing substantially having symmetry of revolution about a first axis,
- mixing members driven in rotation relative to the casing and about a second axis that is inclined relative to the first axis,
- a lump breaker which is mobile relative to the first axis, the lump breaker and the mixing members being on either side of a plane containing the first axis,

the casing and the mixing members being driven in rotation about the first axis at a determined speed.

- 2. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the casing comprises a cap driven in rotation about the second axis and supporting the mixing members.
- 3. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, characterized by a first drive unit for driving the casing and mixing members about the first axis and a second drive unit for driving the mixing members about the second axis.
- 4. (Original) The mixer according to claim 3, wherein the first and second drive units are superposed along the first axis.
- 5. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the second axis is inclined relative to the first axis by an angle comprised between 45° and 90° in the trigonometric sense.
- 6. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members have an orientation which is variable relative to the second axis.

- 7. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members have an orientation which is fixed relative to the second axis.
- 8. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members have an extreme edge in the shape of an arc of a circle.
  - 9. (Currently Amended) The mixer according to claim 1, characterized by:
- a transmission tube driven in rotation about the first axis and carrying at one end the casing,
  - a first shaft, in the transmission tube, driven in rotation about the first axis,
- a second shaft driven in rotation about the second axis by the first shaft, the second shaft driving in rotation the mixing members,
- a transmission connecting the first and second shafts, the transmission being in the casing[[,]].
- 10. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members are open-worked vanes.
- 11. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members are solid vanes.
- 12. (Original) The mixer according to claim 1, wherein the mixing members are cutters.
  - 13. (Canceled)
- 14. (Currently Amended) The mixer according to claim [[13]] 1, wherein the lump breaker is mobile parallel to the first axis.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The mixer according to claim [[13]] 1, wherein the lump breaker is arranged along said second axis.

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- 16. (Currently Amended) The mixer according to claim [[13]] 1, wherein the lump breaker is connected to [[the]] a transmission tube.
- 17. (Currently Amended) The mixer according to claim 16, wherein a telescopic arm connects the lump breaker to [[the]] a transmission tube.
- 18. (Original) The mixer according to claim 17; wherein the lump breaker is driven in rotation by a motor in the telescopic arm.
  - 19. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising
- a mixer comprising a casing substantially having symmetry of revolution about a first axis, mixing members driven in rotation relative to the casing and about a second axis that is inclined relative to the first axis,
- a lump breaker which is mobile relative to the first axis, the lump breaker and the mixing members being on either side of a plane containing the first axis,

the casing and the mixing members being driven in rotation about the first axis at a determined speed, and

- a container the base of which has a symmetry of revolution and the generatrix of which is the extreme edge of a mixing member.
- 20. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the apparatus has an inner cradle supporting the container and the mixer and mounted on an outer cradle in rotation about a diameter common to the inner and outer cradles, and a support, the outer cradle being mounted in rotation about a diameter on said support.